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For: Rapid Lateral Flow Assay for Determining
Exposure to Mycobacterium Tuberculosis and
Other Mycobacterium

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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NON-PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS:

1. R. A. Cole, et al., "Clinical Evaluation of a rapid immunochromatographic Assay Based on the 38 kDa antigen of Mycobacterium Tuberculosis on Patients with Pulmonary Tuberculosis in China"; *Tubercle and Lung Disease* (1996) 77, p 363-368.
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The present Disclosure Statement is being submitted in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56 as an Examiner might consider the cited documents important in deciding whether to allow the application to issue as a patent, but the citation of such documents is not to be construed as an admission that such documents are necessarily relevant or prior art. No representation is intended that the cited documents represent the results of a complete search, and it is anticipated that the Examiner in the normal course of examination, will make an independent search and will

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determine the best prior art consistent, and in the course of such search, will review for relevance the documents cited on the attached form even if not initialed.

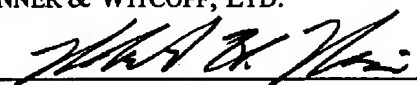
Early and favorable consideration is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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